

SENATE RECORD VOTE ANALYSIS

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COMMENDING JESSE JACKSON/Passage

SUBJECT: Commending Jesse Jackson for his successful efforts to secure the release of American prisoners held captive by Yugoslavia . . . S.Res. 94. Passage.

ACTION: RESOLUTION AGREED TO, 92-0

SYNOPSIS: As introduced and passed, S.Res. 94 will resolve: "that the Senate commends the Reverend Jesse Jackson for his successful efforts in securing the release of Sergeant Ramirez, Sergeant Stone, and Specialist Gonzales, and for his leadership and actions arising from his deep faith in God; and the Senate joins the families of Sergeant Ramirez, Sergeant Stone, and Specialist Gonzales in expressing relief and joy at their safe release."

Those favoring passage contended:

Jesse Jackson and the religious leaders who accompanied him to Serbia performed a great humanitarian service in securing the release of the 3 American soldiers who were being held captive there. Some people have questioned whether that trip might have harmful effects on our military campaign against Serbia or whether it may have had harmful political effects. We are not going to get into that debate. We commend Jesse Jackson for his success. We also commend Congressman Blagojevich, the only Serbian-American in the House, for using his connections in Serbia to help make the trip possible.

While favoring passage, some Senators expressed the following reservations:

We are happy and relieved that the soldiers have been released and will vote for this resolution on that basis only. We oppose private diplomacy that is at odds with our country's objectives, and we are not about to praise any public relations' stunts that benefit Milosevic.

No arguments were expressed in opposition to passage.

YEAS (92)				NAYS (0)		NOT VOTING (3)	
Republican (50 or 100%)		Democrats (42 or 100%)		Republicans (0 or 0%)	Democrats (0 or 0%)	Republicans (0)	Democrats (3)
Abraham	Hatch	Akaka	Johnson				Dorgan ⁻²
Allard	Hutchinson	Baucus	Kennedy				Landrieu ^{-4AY}
Ashcroft	Hutchison	Bayh	Kerrey				Moynihan ⁻²
Bennett	Inhofe	Biden	Kerry				
Bond	Jeffords	Bingaman	Kohl				
Brownback	Kyl	Boxer	Lautenberg				
Bunning	Lott	Breaux	Leahy				
Burns	Lugar	Bryan	Levin				
Campbell	Mack	Byrd	Lieberman				
Chafee	McCain	Cleland	Lincoln				
Cochran	McConnell	Conrad	Mikulski				
Collins	Murkowski	Daschle	Murray				
Coverdell	Nickles	Dodd	Reed				
Craig	Roberts	Durbin	Reid				
Crapo	Roth	Edwards	Robb				
DeWine	Santorum	Feingold	Rockefeller				
Domenici	Shelby	Feinstein	Sarbanes				
Enzi	Smith, Bob	Graham	Schumer				
Frist	Smith, Gordon	Harkin	Torricelli				
Gorton	Snowe	Hollings	Wellstone				
Gramm	Specter	Inouye	Wyden				
Grams	Stevens						
Grassley	Thompson						
Gregg	Thurmond						
Hagel	Voinovich						

VOTING PRESENT (5)

Fitzgerald
Helms
Sessions
Thomas
Warner

EXPLANATION OF ABSENCE:

1—Official Business
2—Necessarily Absent
3—Illness
4—Other

SYMBOLS:

AY—Announced Yea
AN—Announced Nay
PY—Paired Yea
PN—Paired Nay